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Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for consideration.

## **Amendments**

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 1, line 29 and ending at page 3, line 10, with the following paragraphs:

Descriptions of biochemical and regulatory pathways are available from a number of well

known academic and research organizations. An exemplary listing of such pathways can be found in US patent application Serial number 09/371,146, the entirety of which is herein incorporated herein by reference, see especially pages 1-312. Additionally, several web sites and databases contain information pertaining to biochemical pathways and regulatory pathways. Examples of such web sites include: cgsc.biology.yale.edu (the CGSC maintains a database of E. coli genetic information, including genotypes and reference information for the strains in the CGSC collection, gene names, properties, and linkage map, gene product information, and

information on specific mutations); www.labmed.umn.edu (the University of Minnesota's